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## PREFACE

This report is a summary of selected information on transportation and infiltration activity in southeast Asia as reported by NPIC during the period indicated on the cover. Those lines of communication and associated facilities which support communist insurgency in Laos and South Vietnam are emphasized.

Items are numbered and arranged according to location from north to south. Annotated maps of varying scales have been included to assist the reader in locating the items. Each large-scale map depicts all motorable roads photographically confirmed by NPIC unless otherwise indicated.

Missions, mission dates, frames, and NPIC cable and briefing board references are listed after each item, as appropriate.

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1. Road Construction, Routes 132/604, North Vietnam/China Border Area

25X1D A new road is under construction in the area of North Vietnam Routes  
25X1D 132 and 604 near the China border (Figures 1 and 2). The new road will  
25X1D connect the two Routes and shorten the north-south supply route by nine  
25X1D nautical miles. On [REDACTED] unusually heavy traffic (approximately 88  
25X1D vehicles observed in cloud-free areas) was noted on the current route through  
25X1D Phong Tho to Lai Chau. Present early-stage construction extends south  
25X1D from Route 132 at 22-35-N 103-16-E [REDACTED] and north from Route  
25X1D 604 at 22-32-N 103-17-E [REDACTED], with the two segments not yet  
25X1D connected. A river crossing will be needed over the Nam So (River) near  
25X1D the junction with Route 604 at [REDACTED]. Twelve probable bridge  
25X1D sections were located on south side of Nam So.

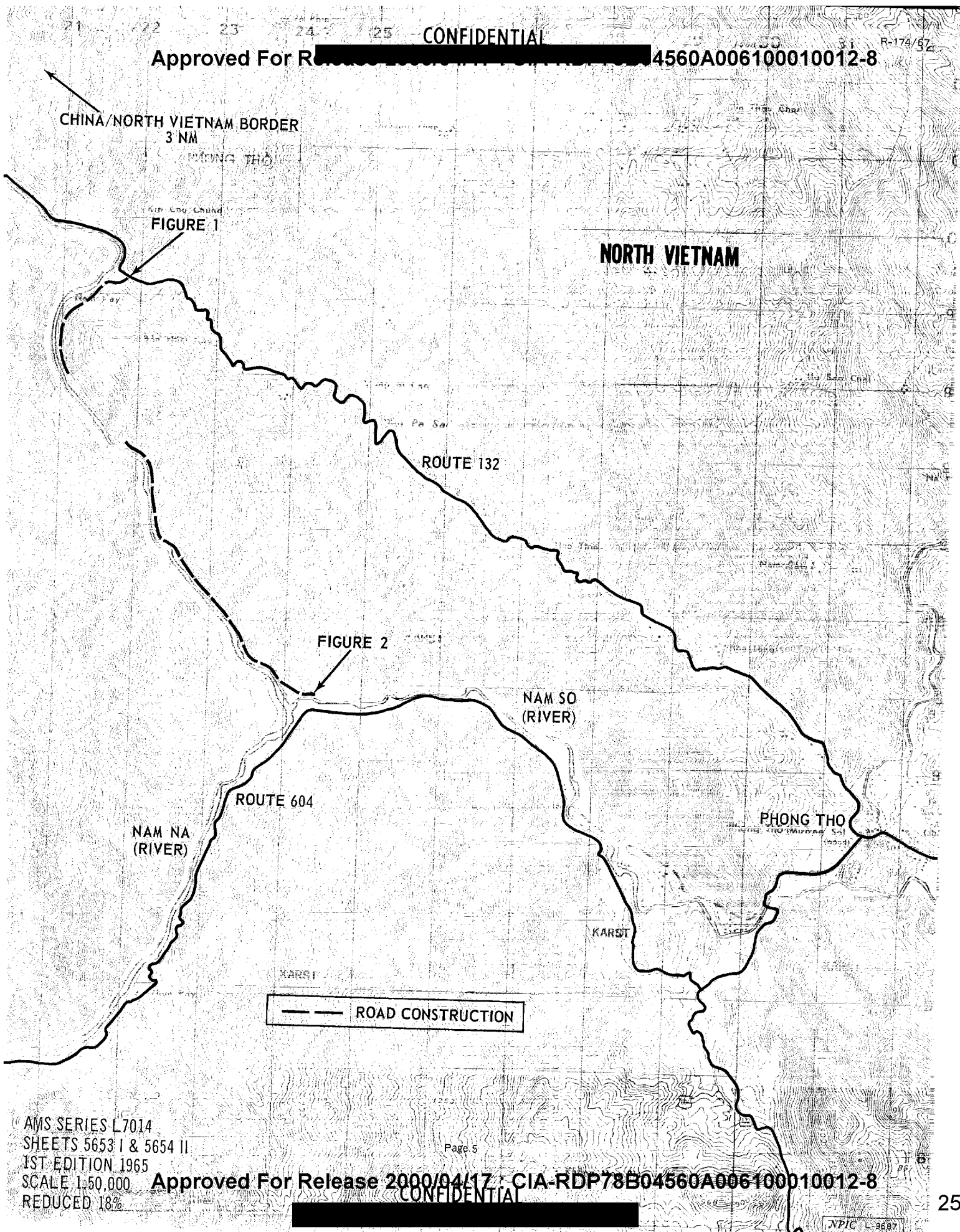
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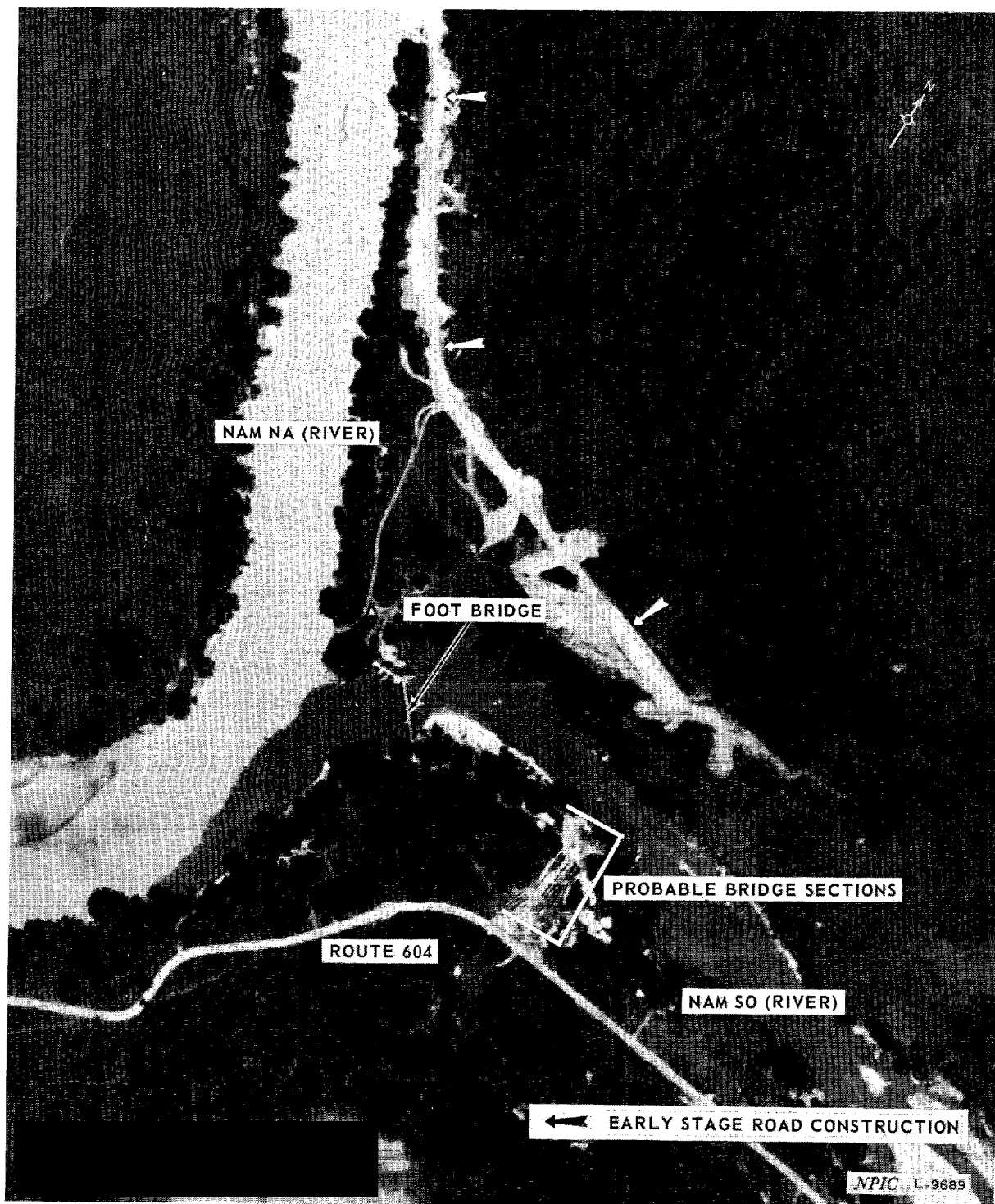
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FIGURE 1. ROAD CONSTRUCTION, ROUTES 132/604 AREA, NORTH VIETNAM



25X1D FIGURE 2. ROAD CONSTRUCTION, ROUTES 132/604 AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

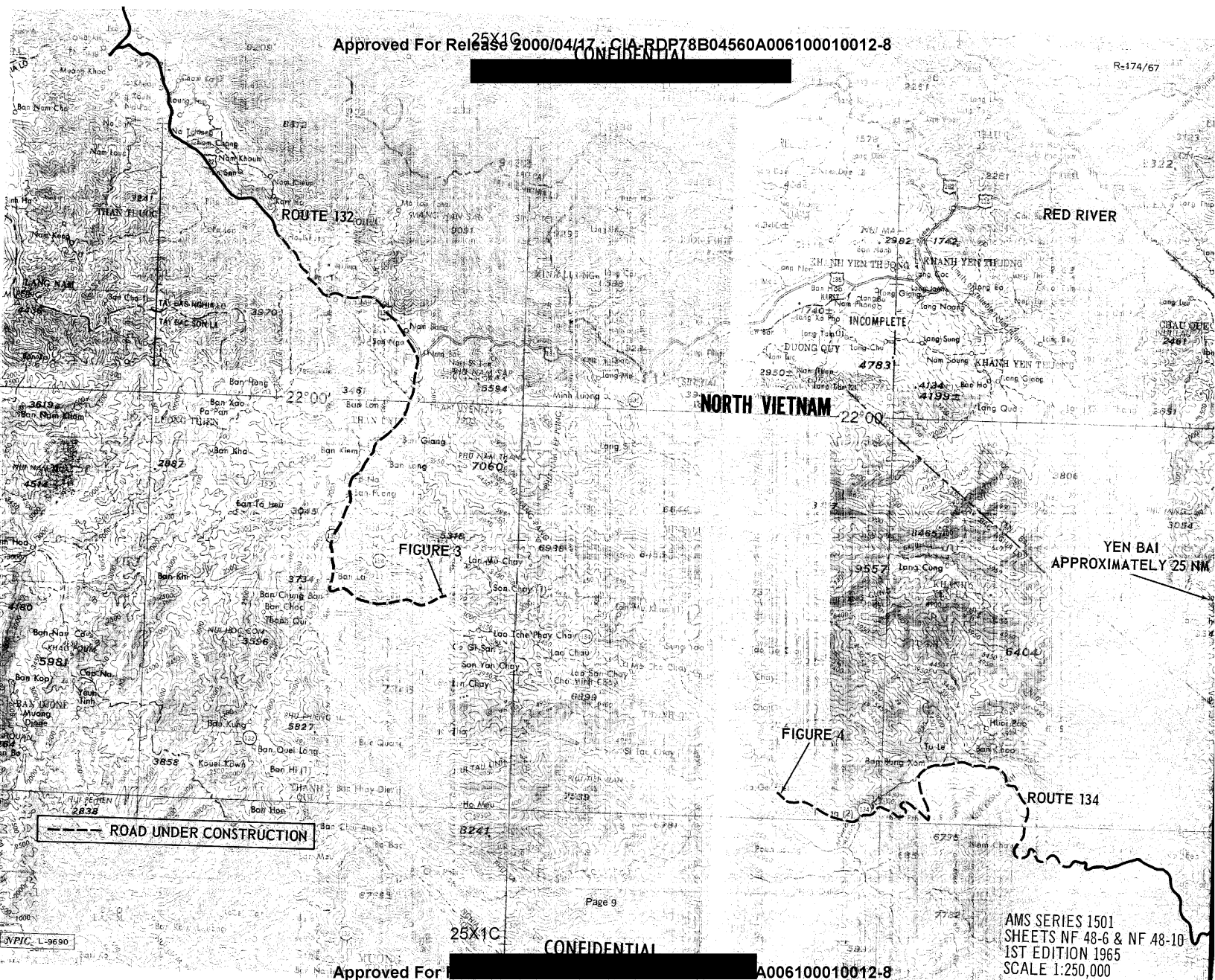
2. Continued Road Construction, Routes 132/134 Area, North Vietnam

Continuing road construction and route realignment to connect Route 134 to Route 132 are observed on a mission of [REDACTED]. The existing roads are overgrown and in disuse and only portions of them are being incorporated into the new northwest-southeast alignment. Construction generally following the alignment of Route 132 is observed from 22-06N 103-50E (previous terminus of construction as reported in Summary No 39, Item 2) south to 21-53N 103-52E [REDACTED] and then east along the north bank of the Nam Kim (River) to the present terminus at 21-52N 103-57E [REDACTED] (Figure 3). Construction and realignment west along Route 134 presently terminates at 21-45N 104-10E [REDACTED] leaving a 15-nm gap between the construction termini (Figure 4).

At least 12 trucks/construction vehicles and three new construction camps are observed along the new northern construction segment.

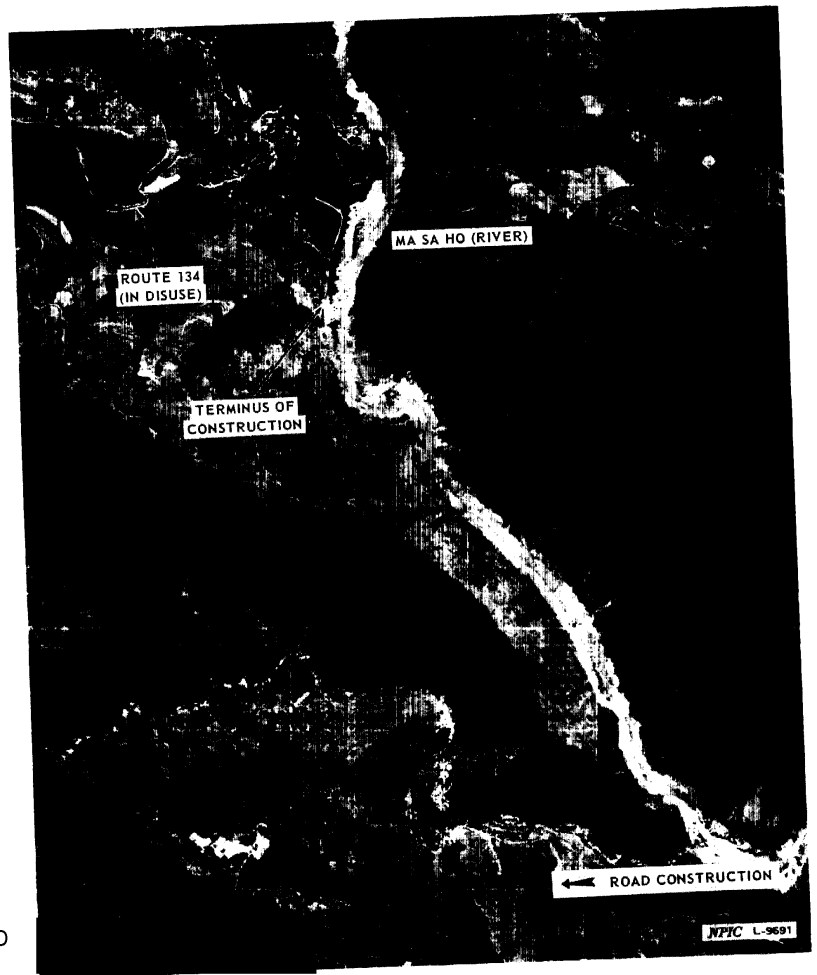
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FIGURE 3. CONTINUED ROAD CONSTRUCTION, ROUTES 132/134 AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

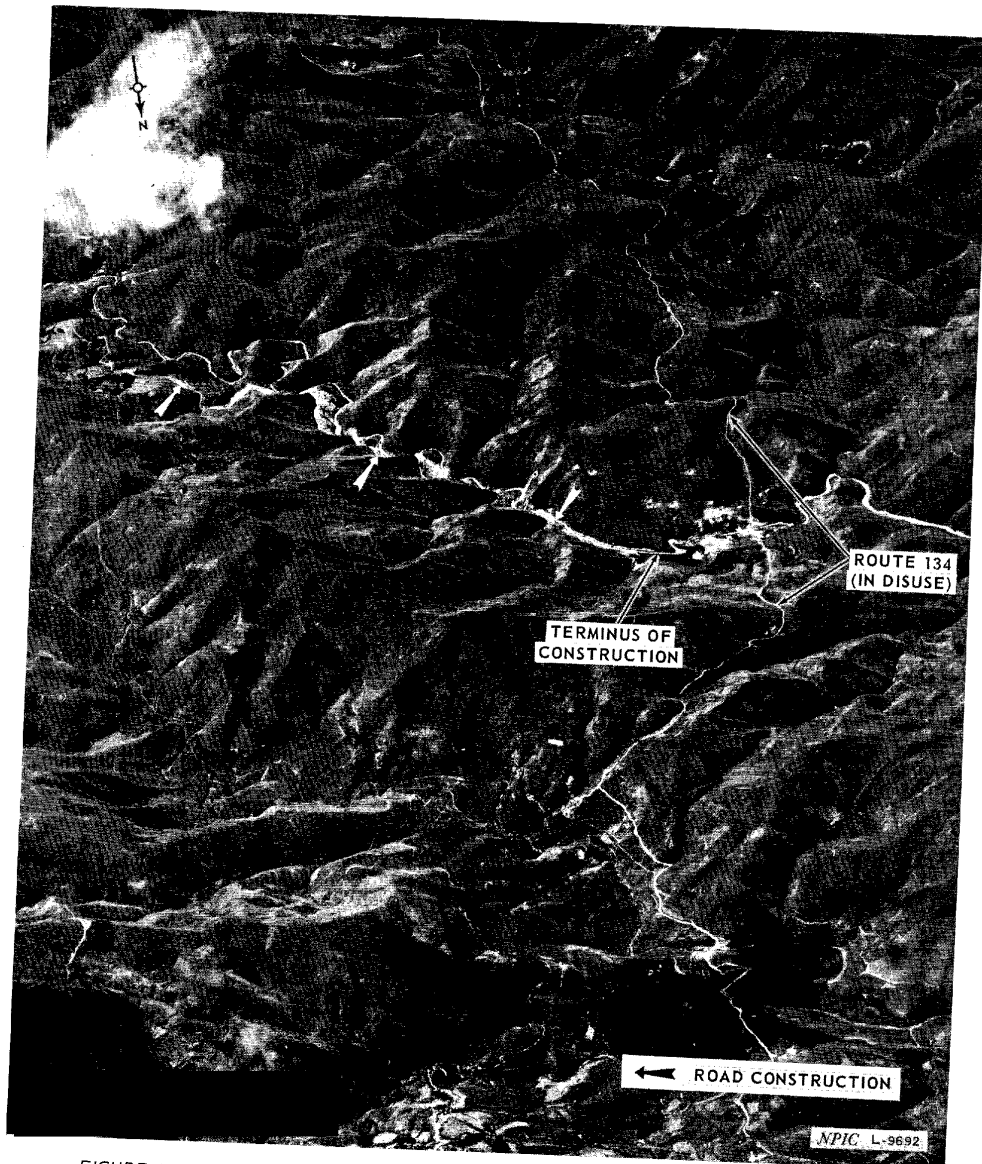
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FIGURE 4. CONTINUED ROAD CONSTRUCTION, ROUTES 132/134 AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

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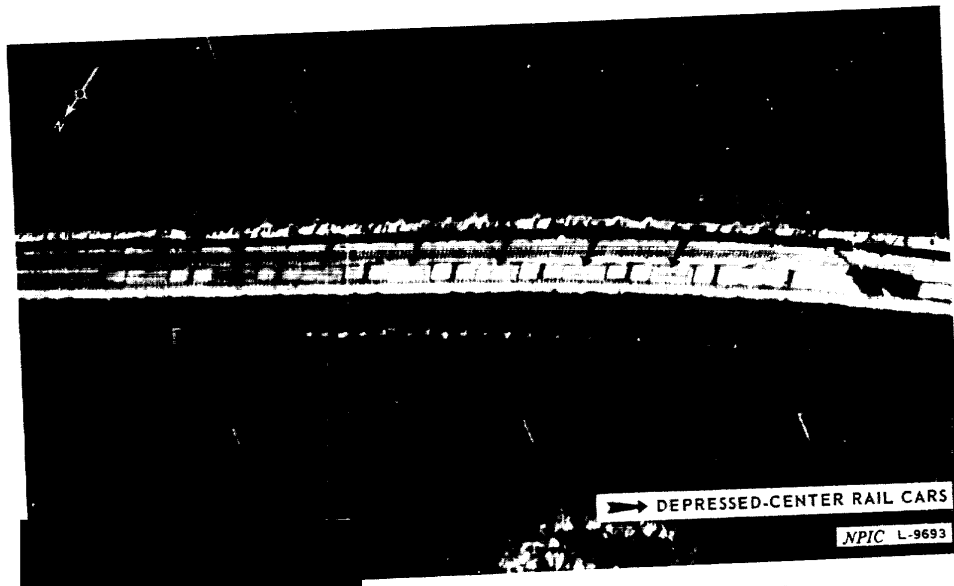
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3. Special Rail Cars, Dap Cau, North Vietnam

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On [REDACTED] depressed-center rail cars were observed for the first time in North Vietnam outside of the Hai Phong area. Seven empty cars were located on the meter-gauge portion of the Ha Noi/Ping-Hsiang Rail Line, southwest of Dap Cau at 21-11 [REDACTED] N 106-05 [REDACTED] E [REDACTED].  
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Another car was observed in a dual-gauge rail yard at 21-39 [REDACTED] N 106-34 [REDACTED] E. The rail cars, approximately [REDACTED] in length with [REDACTED] of the bed depressed, are used for transporting heavy equipment or oversized loads (Figure 5).

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FIGURE 5. DEPRESSED-CENTER RAIL CARS, DAP CAU, NORTH VIETNAM

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HA NOI/PING-HSIANG RAIL LINE

ROUTE 1A

NORTH VIETNAM

DAP CAU

DEPRESSED-CENTER RAIL CARS  
(FIG. 5)

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ROUTE 18

ROUTE 52

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ROUTE 213

HOA LAC AIRFIELD

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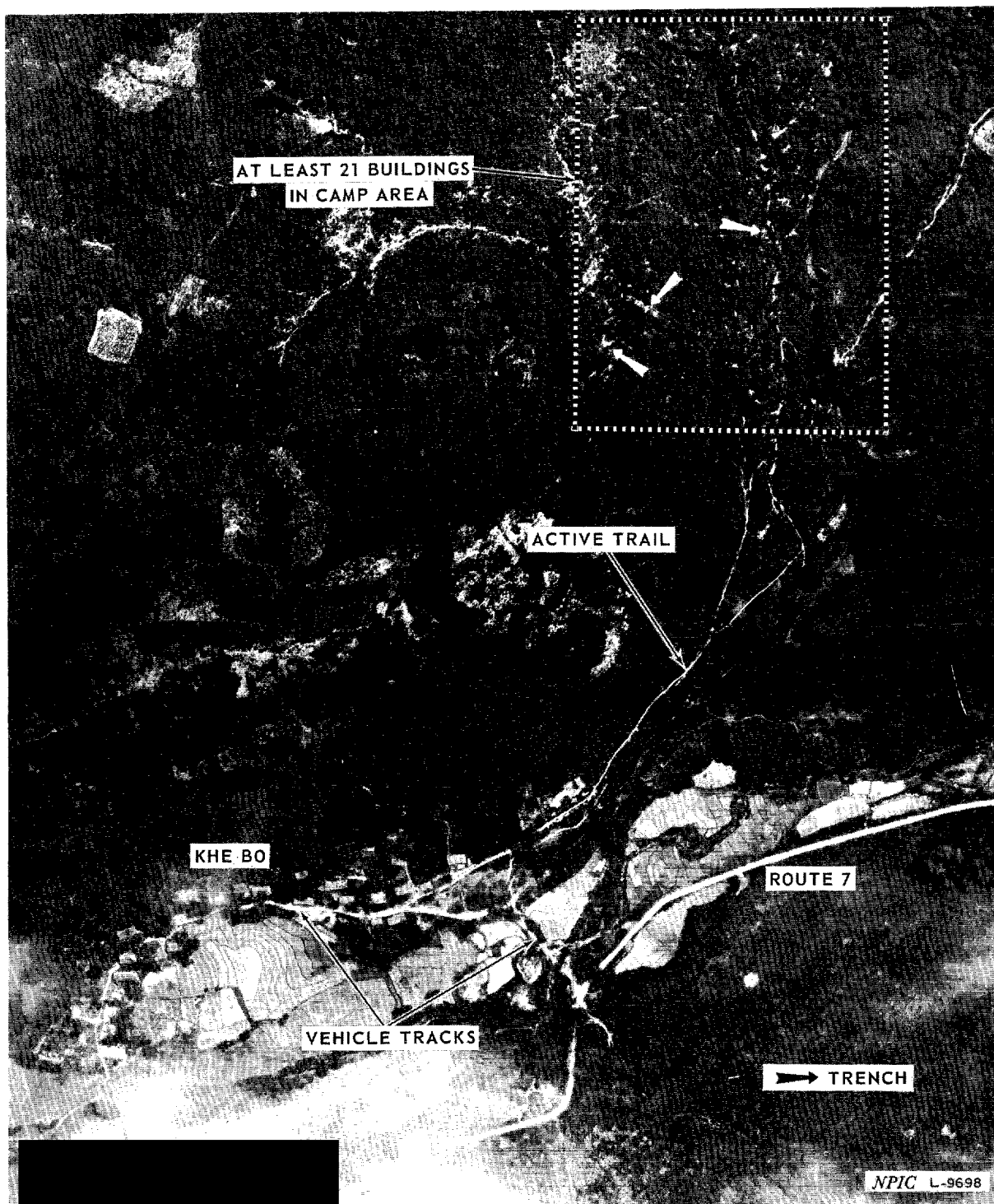
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(FIG. 6)

ROUTE 21

ONLY MAJOR ROADS DEPICTED





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FIGURE 7. POSSIBLE MILITARY CAMP, KHE BO, NORTH VIETNAM

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6. Early-stage By-pass Construction, Routes 911/912 Area, Laos

Initial clearing operations for a new by-pass are observed south-east of the junction of Routes 911 and 912 (Figure 8). As observed in cloud-free areas, the clearing extends east from 17-01-██N 105-58-██E (██████████) to a terminus at 17-02-██N 106-01-██E (██████████). When completed, the road will by-pass a heavily cratered segment of Route 911 just south of Route 912 junction.

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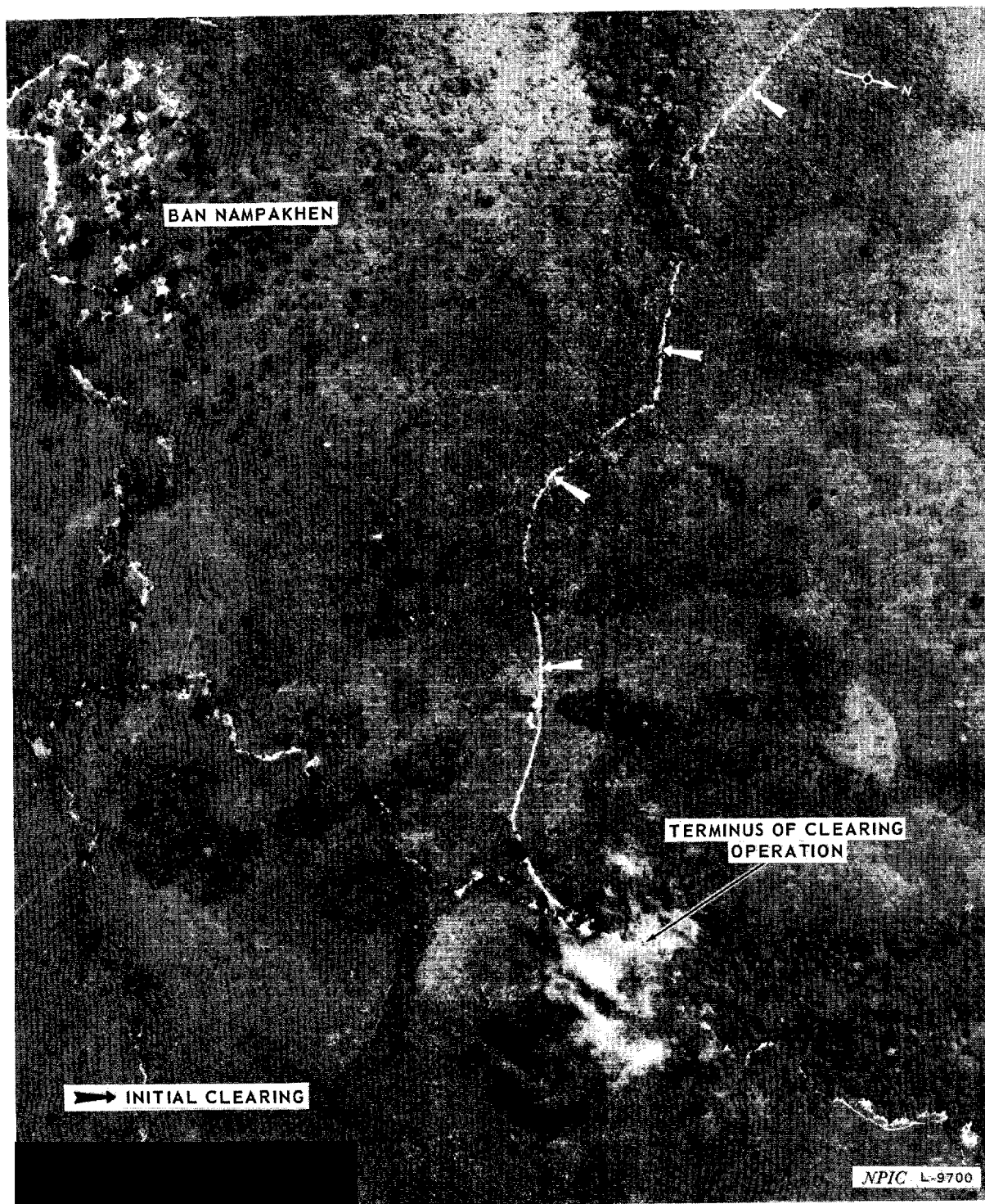


FIGURE 8. PROBABLE BY-PASS ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION, ROUTES 911/912 AREA, LAOS

7. Road Maintenance, Route 92, Laos

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Although recent photographic coverage is limited, there is some evidence that the post-monsoon road maintenance program has begun. On [REDACTED] roadbed shoring and three personnel probably involved in repair work were observed on Route 92 at 16-17°N 106-38°E [REDACTED] just west of the junction of Routes 92 and 922 (Figure 9). However, Route 92 was unserviceable south from Route 922 and was only intermittently serviceable north to the limit of photographic coverage at 16-23°N 106-32°E.

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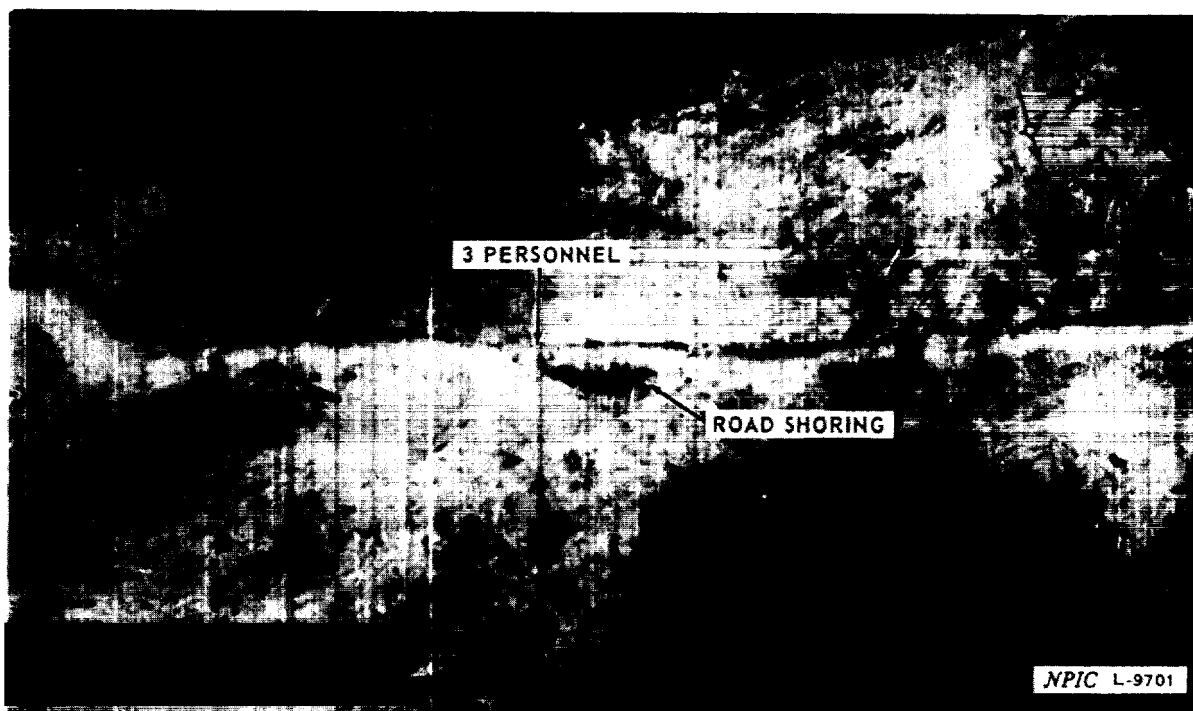


FIGURE 9. ROAD MAINTENANCE, ROUTE 92, LAOS



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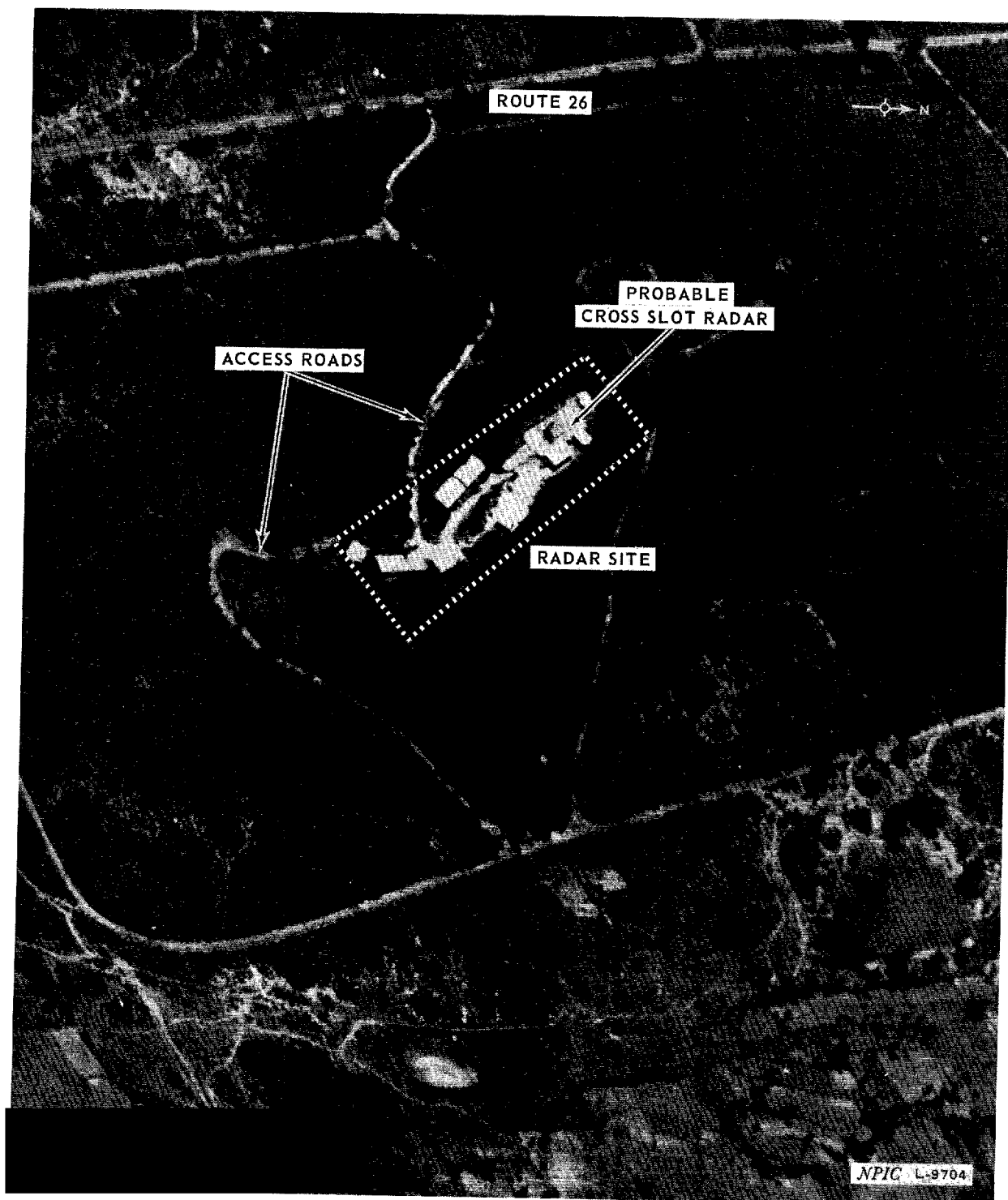
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8. Radar Site, Ph Leak Cheung, Cambodia

A new early warning radar site is observed approximately 12 nm west of Phnom Penh at 11-34-██ N 104-41-██ E ████████, 0.4 nm south of Ph Leak Cheung. This is the first radar site in Cambodia to be photographically confirmed by NPIC. The site consists of one probable CROSS SLOT radar mounted atop a control building, seven additional support buildings, and access roads to Route 26 (Figure 10).

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FIGURE 10. RADAR SITE, PH LEAK CHEUNG, CAMBODIA

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